Between 1 and 2 hours	1/4 pay
Up to 4 hours	1/2 do
Do 6 hours	Full pay

(6) Statement appended. (*Appendix IV*).

(7) Yes; but in such cases, they are given 1/2 day off the next day as compensation.

(8) The grant of leave is governed by the rules relating to temporary establishment.

(9) Two sets of uniforms and a head dress.

(10) The question of giving them rain coats is being considered.

(11) Rs. 15 per month.

(12) No information is available.

(13) Yes.

Nomination of Members to Village Panchayats.

66. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether there is any rule—circular or understanding that nomination to Village Panchayats will not be given to one and the same individual for successive periods;

(b) is the rule followed in practice;

(c) if there are exceptions, which are they;

(d) what exactly is the reason for the deviation in each case mentioned in (c)?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(a) Yes, there is an understanding.

(b) Yes, as far as practicable.

(c) Exceptions are:—

1. Mr. Pullamasseri Bava Naickan Narasimha Naickan of Kumbalanghi Panchayat.

2. Mr. K. A. Mohamed of Panjal Panchayat.

3. Mr. Subbaraya Koundan Gopalaswamy Koundan of Eruthempathy Panchayat.

(d) These were the best available candidates from these communities.

Panjal Group Panchayat—nomination of a Muslim gentleman.

67. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether there is any Muslim gentleman as a nominated member in the Panjal Group Panchayat;

(b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, which village does he represent now;

(c) whether this gentleman had been a nominated member n any previous occasion or occasions in this Panchayat;

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(d) if the answer to (c) is in the affirmative, which village was he representing during each period;

(e) whether there was not a petition praying that this gentleman may not be nominated this time;

(f) had not thispetition pointed out various names fit for nomination ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(a) Yes:

(b) Cheruthuruthi village.

(c) Yes ; on two previous occasions.

(d) Cheruthuruthi village.

(e) Yes.

(f) One name, *viz.*, Vadakkepat Thekkethil Ammalu Amma Raman Menon.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Does the gentleman representing Cheruthuruthy village belong to that village?

Mr P. V. Raphael.—He belongs to that village.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Which village he is a permanent resident of?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—He is a permanent resident of that village.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is the Registrar quite sure of it?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—As far as I know he is living in that village as a permanent resident.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is not the name mentioned in answer to (f) a member of a respectable leading Nayar family of that village?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—Yes; he is.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it for want of a Muslim candidate in that Panchayat area that this repeated representation being given?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—It is because that a better man or an equally good man is not available from this village and also because there was a very large mass representation from the Muslims of the place that they would be happy if he is taken to represent them.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was it as a result of the unanimous representation of the Muslim community that he was nominated again and again?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—I do not say the unanimous opinion. But I submit there was a huge mass representation.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—When such repeated representation for aparticular man in any other village is made by the inhabitants of other villages will a similar concession be allowed?

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Mr. P. V. Raphael.—Only very rarely such concessions have been granted.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—On whose recommendation may I know was this representation given to this individual for this Panchayat?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—On the recommendation of my Inspector and on my own personal enquiries.

Vacancies of Copyists in the Registration Department.

68. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether any permanent vacancy of copyist clerk arose in the Registration Department in the first 10 months of 1109;

(b) whether there were applicants from amongst the unpassed copyists of the Magistrate's Courts for any of these vacancies;

(c) whether any of the applicants have been appointed to the Registration Department as desired?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes. Five vacancies arose.

(b) Yes.

(c) No. Clerks, who were officiating continuously in the vacancies, were confirmed.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—With reference to (c) May I know whether any new hands were appointed?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No; there was no chance.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Has the Government received any representation from the copyists to consider their claims when vacancies arise in the Registration Department?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Is that matter engaging the attention of the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is on the basis of this that it was ordered that these people should be drafted to the Registration Department.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was any representation made to the Government by the Superintendent of Registration against the order of the Government to appoint these unpassed copyists of the Magisterial Department?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not think it is a representation against that order. There have been complaints that some of these vacancies should have been filled by the unpassed candidates in the Magisterial Department. Then he reported that it could not be done because there were people who were acting there who had to be given preference.

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